Ferry Boat at Madathicavoo.

127. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received a petition from the people of Karanma, Cherukole, gramom, Perinjalipuram and other Karas praying for the sanction of a ferry boat at Madathicavoo, the place where the Oripram Ennakadu road crosses the Achencoil river in Mavelikara taluk, and if so, what action was taken?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Yes. It is under the consideration of Government.

Bridges.

128. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state what the Government have done after the last session of the Assembly:

(*a*) to improve the bad condition of the bridge at Chathiara in the Thamarakulam Ochira road;

(*b*) to improve the bad condition of the bridge in Kodumon in the Channanapalli-Koodal road in the Kunnattur taluk; and

(*c*) to advance the work in connection with the construction of the Kollakadavu bridge in Mavelikara-Chengannur road?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) An estimate for the work has been prepared and the question is being placed before the P. W. D. Advisory Committee.

(*b*) An estimate has been prepared.

(*c*) The estimate prepared for the work is being scrutinised.

Bridge at Kollakadavu.

129. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the years in which there was provision in the budget for the construction of a bridge at Kollakadavu on the Chengannur-Mavelikara road and the amounts thus provided in each year;

(*b*) the amount spent for the purpose in each year out of the budget provision;

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the negative, the reason for the delay;

(*d*) whether the necessary estimate for the bridge was prepared or sanctioned by Government;

(*e*) if the answer to (*d*) is in the negative, the reason for the delay and the officer responsible for the same; and

(*f*) whether any representation from the public, dated 16-2-1120 has been submitted to the Dewan and the Chief Engineer on the 17th of Kanni 1120, and if so, the action taken thereon?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN:

(*a*) 1117 M.E. Rs. 10,000.
1119 M. E. Rs. 10,000;
1120 M. E. Rs. 20,000.

(*b*) Nil.

(*c*) Due to estimate not being finalised and sanctioned.

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(d) The estimate has been prepared and is under the consideration of Government.

(e) Does not arise in view of answer to (d).

(f) Yes. Estimate is being scrutinised.

Kozhencherry Bridge.

130. *MR. P. S. MOHAMED (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the date and year of the sanction for the construction of the Kozhencherry bridge;

(b) the date and year of the acceptance of tender of the contractor;

(c) the date of the agreement executed by the contractor at the first instance;

(d) the name of the contractor;

(e) the date and year when the work was started;

(f) the periods during which the work was suspended;

(g) the reasons for suspension;

(h) how many times the work was suspended;

(i) the date and year when the construction was resumed after the last suspension of the work;

(j) the variations made in the rates contained in the original agreement; and

(k) the reasons for making such variations?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (a) 9-8-1937.

(b) 26-6-1941.

(c) 13-4-1942.

(d) Messrs Sarma Brothers Corporation Ltd., Trivandrum.

(e) 17-11-1941.

(f) 11-7-1942 to 3-1-1943.

(g) The contractor's failure to show proportionate progress and consequent necessity to make other arrangements.

(h) Once.

(i) 3-1-1943.

(j) No variation.

(k) In view of answer to item (j) this does not arise.

Breach in the Tovala Channel near Thusi Anai.

131. *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a breach occurred in the Tovala Channel near Thusi Anai in Tovala taluk in Makaram 1120, and if so the cause of the breach?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Yes. The main cause was an undetected hole which appeared to have developed some time between the 22nd and 30th January 1945.

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